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## Warm Weather FOOTWEAR

For Women--

WHITE SPORT OXFORDS  
WHITE WASHABLE KID PUMPS  
WHITE RUBBER SOLE PUMPS  
WHITE CANVAS PUMPS  
OUTING OXFORDS  
BAREFOOT SANDALS  
BLACK AND WHITE TENNIS

For Misses and Children--

WHITE RUBBER SOLE PUMPS  
WHITE CANVAS PUMPS  
TAN OUTING OXFORDS  
BAREFOOT SANDALS  
TENNIS OXFORDS

For Men--

WHITE DUCK ENGLISH OXFORDS  
WHITE CANVAS RUBBER SOLE OXFORDS  
VENTILATED OXFORDS  
OUTING OXFORDS  
CANVAS SHOES  
TENNIS SHOES

WE DO SHOE REPAIRING -- WE SELL HOSIERY

Karsch's, THE PLACE TO BUY GOOD SHOES

## MEMORIAL DAY FITTINGLY OBSERVED

Patriotic Address by Prosecuting Attorney Henry Davis--Picket Post Parades, Children Bearing Flowers

Memorial Day was fittingly observed last Tuesday in Farmington, early in the afternoon. Picket Post No. 215 G. A. R. appeared with a column of children bearing floral offerings, in the early afternoon, marching up East Columbia street, to the martial strains of the Gower boy band, to the Court House, on the four corners of the grounds of which the old cannons that had been presented by the Government had just been mounted, thence around the Public Square and to the Monarch Theatre.

Here a large audience was gathered, filling the four or five hundred seats of the theatre and standing in the aisles. The old veterans of Picket Post marched on to the stage, and there the memorial rites of their organization were impressively observed. The ranks are fast thinning, and all those old veterans have their faces turned toward the setting sun beyond which are the green fields where their comrades in arms who have finished life's battle are resting and awaiting them.

The old veterans who marched in the ranks here last Tuesday were A. J. Pearce, commander of the Post, aged 68; D. J. Doughty, adjutant, aged 74; I. L. F. Pond, the eldest, 82; Henry J. Rickus, 78; John Fry, 78; S. G. Counts, 75; Jerry Rion, 75; Henry Manley, 75; Eli D. Hopkins, 74; Robert Denby, 74; Geo. M. Wilson, 73; Henry Fry, 72; E. K. Hopkins, 72; W. A. Kennedy, 71; James Boling, 70; C. C. Chandler, 70; Richard Adams, 70; M. Boord, 70; Carroll J. Harrelson, 69; Wm. Lee, 68; E. I. Henry, 74.

During the exercises at the Monarch Prof. Johns, Superintendent of the Farmington Public Schools, read Lincoln's Gettysburg address, and Henry Davis, Prosecuting Attorney, delivered a beautiful and patriotic oration, which is given below. After the exercises in the theatre, the veterans formed outside where a group picture of them was taken. They then marched to the cemetery and decorated the graves of their dead comrades and Confederates alike.

The march to the cemetery, though the distance was short, was trying on the old veterans, but when they returned to the hall to "break ranks," perhaps for the last time for some of them, their hearts were cheered with smiling that loving and appreciative hearts and hands had prepared refreshments to revive their tired bodies and drooping spirits. Mrs. Ed Helber, formerly Miss Mollie Dalton, and some other ladies were there to serve them with ice cream, cakes and refreshing drink. It was the 76th anniversary of the birthday of Mrs. Helber's father, the late Thos. T. Dalton, who was an old and honored comrade of Picket Post.

Mr. Davis' Address.

Men of the Grand Army of the Republic--

At the laying of the corner stone of the Barker Hill Monument, Daniel Webster, fifty years from the date of that conflict, looked out over its remaining revolutionary survivors and said: "Venerable Men: You have come down to us from a former generation. Heaven has bounteously lengthened out your lives that you might behold this joyous day." So with you men,

You, too, have come down from a former generation. Heaven has, indeed, bounteously lengthened out your lives that you might, although in ever-dwindling numbers, assemble again on another Memorial Day and pay tribute to yours and the country's dead.

In responding to your invitation to address you there came to me a genuine sense of pleasure mixed, too, with a tinge of sadness. Pleasurable because of the feeling of amor patriae aroused by such an undertaking, because of the noble emotions that must come to him who attempts, in ever so weak a way, to recount yours and the dead's unselfish and heroic tasks in handing down to us this indivisible, indestructible, united, glorious, happy and free Republic. Sad, Venerable Men, because of the thought of the approach of the last and the final roll call which all human experience teaches can not be indefinitely postponed.

To me there is a personal interest in you and in your organization. My father, now nearing his ninetieth birthday, is one of you. As the son of a veteran of such an advanced age it is easily seen why there should be the mixed feeling of pleasure and of sadness on this occasion.

We have met to pay tribute to those who sacrificed their courageous lives for their country's cause. We meet as well to commemorate the services of those living and dead who did not fall on the battlefield or die in the camp, but who offered their lives in the country's darkest, dredest days. May I not pursue the thought yet farther? Do we not also meet to pay our respects to the brave men living and dead who fought the fight of the Lost Cause? Do we not also gather inspiration from their heroic deeds? And, is there not finally intertwined in our hearts a noble color scheme composed of the blended gray and blue? Is not a part of our heritage the valor and heroism displayed by the sons of Dixie?

The mellowing effect of time, guided by God's own hand, has made you men of the Grand Army and your brothers of the South friends and common countrymen. The bitterness, the strife, the jealousy evoked during the great struggle, perhaps, as much on the one side as on the other, has by mutual consent ceased.

It is little short of the miraculous that men of the border States could settle down by each other's side, lay down war's armor and become peaceful business friends and neighbors. After such a bloody struggle to again resume the pursuits of peace with each other is not far from marvelous.

Heated arguments have been had over the question as to which had the braver soldiers. Those arguments have not come from the participants. You men who fought the fight against each other know that braver men never trod earth's crust than those whom you had to fight. In the actual combat you men met "foemen worthy of your steel" and you learned to admire and respect each other's courage.

Those of us who are able to look at historical records of the stupendous achievements of each army with unbiased prisms accord to each side equal valor, equal courage and equal sincerity. We feel that the great military

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## BARKER PROVES TO BE CONVINCING SPEAKER

Holds Rapt Attention of Large Crowd On Public Square for More Than Hour Tuesday Afternoon

Attorney General John T. Barker, one of the seven candidates for the Democratic nomination for Governor, spoke in Farmington last Tuesday, pursuant to the announcement made in The Times last week. He was announced to speak in the Court House, but he preferred the open air, for which his voice is well adapted, and standing in an automobile on the Public Square, he addressed a crowd of several hundred. It was Decoration Day and his position was near the street car track, and while he was speaking several cars with their usual clatter and noise passed, and the parade of the old veterans in observing the day marched around the square with the band playing, but these things didn't disconcert him; he merely stopped to let the cars and the parade pass and resumed his speech. And so interested was the crowd that had gathered to hear what he was saying that he held their closest attention through it all.

Mr. Barker is an entertaining and forceful speaker and his voice is so clear and reaching that, though he is a rapid speaker, he was distinctly heard and understood by all. He took up the issues uppermost just now in State affairs, and presented them in a direct, logical way that brought them out clearly. He gave his own

position on these questions in a frank and open manner, and reviewed his record as Attorney General, especially in the matter of upholding the State's legislation and laws in relation to the two-cent railroad fare and the conspiracy of the insurance companies to withdraw from the State and cancel their policies because of the legislation affecting them passed by the Forty-seventh General Assembly.

He referred to national affairs, commending President Wilson's administration, and took up the farmer's loan and banking law just passed by Congress, discussed its liberal provisions and held that a State farmer's loan and banking law, with the national law in existence, was not only useless, but that it could not be made popular or practicable in competition with the more stable and better managed national system.

Mr. Barker made a favorable impression on all who heard him and was warmly congratulated by a large number of Democrats present, not a few of whom declared their intention to support him. So well pleased was he with his reception, that he said he expected to return and speak in all of the towns of the Lead Belt and some of the smaller precincts. He motored over to Bismarck, where he spoke Tuesday evening.

## Desire Our Farm Demonstrator

C. J. Belkin writes us from Mine La Motte that our County Farm Agent, Mr. France, attended a Farmers' club meeting at Village Creek in Madison county a couple of weeks ago and gave them a good talk; also that the club had voted to do all in its power to get a farm agent for Madison county. He said he understood that there were many in this county who did not want a farm agent, and, if it were true, they would like to arrange to have Mr. France come to that county.

There may be a few old-time farmers, here and there, in St. Francois county, who do not look with favor upon new and advanced methods of farming and regard the farm agent as a useless appendage, but they are few. St. Francois county has had a farm agent now for two or three years, and the large majority of our farmers are so delighted with his work. No, we don't think they would do without one or that they would willingly submit to Mr. France being transferred to Madison county. He is doing good work, and our progressive farmers appreciate it. But if our neighboring county farmers want a farm agent, if they will get together and get busy they won't have much trouble, probably, in securing one.

## A Popular Car

The Chevrolet Automobile is rapidly coming into deserved popularity in this community, until the demand for it has probably exceeded that of the Ford. And there is very apparent reason for such popularity. While the Chevrolet is cheap in price--almost as cheap as the Ford--the price appears to be the only "cheap" thing about it. In appearance, it has all the high-class attributes of the higher priced cars, in material, workmanship and finish. It has already stood the test of expert examination and hard usage, and its ability to stand hard usage, as well as the simplicity of its construction, are the principal points of its surpassing popularity in this community.

Lang Bros. Manufacturing & Mercantile Co. are the local agents for the Chevrolet, and their greatest difficulty seems to be to keep a supply on hand. They have already received ten car loads of Chevrolets this season, and within the past ten days they have sold machines to the following: Adolph Westmorland, I. Parkin, Geo. May and Geo. Williams, all of Flat River; W. J. Bruett, John Maclell, Philip Thomsen and W. W. Waters, of Farmington.

## Still They Come

That The Times is fulfilling its mission as a newspaper the following new and renewal subscriptions, which have been received the past week, will testify. That the people want the news while it is news, and also that they know where to get it is each week being made more apparent: New Subscribers--W. L. O'Bannon, Elvins; Lloyd Ferguson, Mine La Motte; F. F. Beard, Bismarck. Renewals--E. T. Burke and W. R. Parks, of Blodgett; Barney Peltz, of Farmington; Hon. Jas. A. Honchlin, of Jefferson City; Chas. H. Blackledge, of Avon; Gas. Bayl, of Farmington; Leroy Matlin, of Bismarck; P. L. Bower and Merrill Pipkin, of Farmington.

## ABUNDANT RICHES NOW IN PROSPECT

A Coterie of Farmington Gentlemen Has Everything Ready to Turn Out Cornucopias of Wealth

As has before been intimated in this paper, The Times is rejoiced as an apparent certainty becomes even more certain, in regard to now proven success of the recent mining venture of Messrs. Benj. H. Marbury, J. C. Watson, Dr. John B. Graves and Taylor Smith. After investing several thousand dollars in prospecting and developing their mining claim on sixty acres of land in Ottawa county, Oklahoma, they are now in readiness to receive their reward for industry and enterprise, properly directed.

The sixty acres on which the above named gentlemen hold a ten-year lease has been sufficiently prospected to demonstrate the fact that mineral underlies the entire tract, but only four acres of this has been put to a thorough investigation. Here seventeen churn drill holes have been put down, in every one of which rich lead and zinc deposits have been struck, averaging a fifty-foot ledge.

With such an exceptionally rich showing, these gentlemen had no difficulty in interesting the United States Smelting Company in the venture, which company is one of the most experienced and wealthy mining organizations in the entire country. Therefore a contract has been entered into by the gentlemen owning this mining lease with the U. S. Smelting Co. to erect a mill, sink three shafts, install all machinery, blacksmith shop, employ all labor necessary, etc., and to work the mines on a partnership basis.

Operations were begun Monday of this week on the work of getting things in readiness for actual mining, when 200 men were started on the preliminary work. This company is now tearing down a practically new 720 ton mill at Ravenwood, in Jasper

county, Mo., which will be set up on this new mining site, which appears to be the richest find for many months past. As an indication of the large and perfect equipment that the U. S. Smelting Co. is making to handle the output of lead and zinc from these mines, it is only necessary to state that they are figuring on an outlay of \$150,000 before the work of actual mining is begun. Such an enormous investment, by such an experienced and conservative mining company, of itself speaks volumes for the richness and extent of this mineral deposit.

This company expects to have everything in readiness to begin on the actual work of taking out the mineral by August 1st, and when running at full capacity the mill that will be erected will produce from 90 to 120 tons of lead and zinc concentrates every twenty-four hours. Then, when it is known that such concentrates are worth from \$80 to \$120 per ton, the financial magnitude of such holdings will readily be seen.

Competent mining engineers have estimated that the sixty acres on which our fellow-townsmen have mineral lease hold ore bodies that will run into many millions of dollars, and the U. S. Smelting Co. already have in mind the erection of additional mills as rapidly as the mineral deposits can be mapped out. From all the information The Times can secure, Messrs. Marbury, Watson, Graves and Smith will awake some morning, ere long, to find themselves numbered among the millionaires, and in such awakening their many friends will rejoice with them. We doubt if four men could anywhere be found whom the possession of great wealth would make less fools of than these four.

## WHAT MANNER OF MAN COULD HE BE

To Stoop to Sharp Practices to Beat Farmington Out of Free Mail Delivery? Can You Guess?

Since the recent article in The Times, concerning free postal delivery in this city, in which was shown the comparatively easy manner in which such a boon could be secured for our citizenship, information has reached the management of this paper that there are a few alleged business men here who are exerting, or who propose to exert, every effort possible in order to defeat such a culmination, which, from any and every possible standpoint, must result to the advantage of every citizen living within the confines of Farmington.

The Times sincerely hopes that such information is incorrect, for we would deeply regret to know that such citizens--even a few such--are residents of this fair city. But our information goes further, and it is to the effect that a few "leading business men" propose to go even so far as to diminish the natural receipts of the Farmington postoffice for the remaining part of the last quarter, by buying postage elsewhere and thus supplying the public need for stamps, hoping in this manner to keep down stamp sales to such an extent as to hold down the receipts of this office below \$10,000 for the fiscal year.

If such reports are true--and we do not deny them--coming as they do through responsible sources, though we are exceedingly loath to believe

them--then there can be no doubt that a thorough system of cleansing, perhaps cauterizing, is needed on a few of our citizens. And if the plan is followed which we have been told they are thinking of carrying out, of bringing postage stamps here from elsewhere in order to keep down the natural sales of the Farmington postoffice, then such men, even though they may be considered "leading citizens", are in direct line for a sterilizing process that will keep them immune from further trifling with the government's business for a long time to come.

"Leading citizens" should know, if they do not already know, that the government is rather sensitive about having its postal business interfered with, and that no matter how well they may think they are covering their tracks, if such thing is attempted, every detail of the plot will stand out as plain as a "white way" in "darkest Africa" when government sleuths get on the scent. But The Times still hopes there is some mistake in the information that has reached us in this matter. We would love to know that there are no citizens--or citizen--in Farmington who would stoop to such sharp practices in order to accomplish the defeat of such a public beneficence as free mail delivery would be to Farmington.

## Misunderstanding

The Times is pleased to be informed that the recent graduating class of the Farmington High School did not send to an Eastern firm and purchase their Commencement Cards, as was indicated in an article reproduced in these columns last week, from the Shelby Torchlight criticizing such practices, which had been done there, and on which we commented in the following manner: The Times received a similar "punch in the face."

We now learn that the Commencement Cards for the Farmington High School were ordered from Geo. A. Taylor, a home man, which firm is justly entitled to all the patronage that is extended to it. We are glad indeed to make this correction, and especially pleased are we to know that our public schools are thoroughly imbued with the aim and purpose of maintaining home institutions and preserving, as is practically everyone in this community, so far as we have been informed. We wish again to express our unbounded pleasure with a residence in such a splendid community.

## MONDAY CLUB

The closing meeting of the Monday Club was held at the home of the retiring President, Mrs. Bloek. A picnic luncheon was the feature of the afternoon, with Mrs. E. A. Rozier presiding. Toasts were given by the incoming president, Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Weber and Miss Beeson. The newly elected officers for the year 1916-17 are Mrs. Hugh Porter, president; Mrs. Walter Morris, 1st vice president; Miss Nell Deas, 2nd vice president; Mrs. W. H. DuBois, secretary; Mrs. S. F. Isenman, Treasurer.

Club adjourned to meet October 2, with Mrs. Porter.

## AYERS--ALEXANDER

Julius Ayers and Miss Anna Alexander surprised their many friends on May 27th, by quietly making their way to the office of Justice Good and being united in marriage. Both of the young people live near Farmington and have a wide circle of friends who wish them a long and happy journey together. Mr. and Mrs. Ayers will reside near Farmington on R. F. D. No. 1.